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SALEM COUNTY CULTURAL & HERITAGE COMMISSION ANNOUNCES NEW MINI-GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE ARTS

(SALEM, NJ)—Deputy Freeholder Director Beth Timberman today announced that the Salem County Cultural and Heritage Commission is launching a new mini-grant program to support small arts projects offered by county organizations.

"This new program is designed to make our arts grants program more accessible by making the application a bit simpler," said Freeholder Timberman. "We hope that we can encourage community-based organizations that are offering arts programs to become aware of this funding source and become engaged with the Commission."

The Mini-Grants will be available from \$500 to \$1,000 for arts projects sponsored by registered non-profit organizations in Salem County. All projects must take place in the County and support one or more of the following three goals of the New Jersey Arts Plan: arts projects that support economic and community development, provide lifelong arts education and/or broaden, deepen and diversify cultural participation.

"We want to encourage all prospective applicants to plan to attend the upcoming Grantwriting Workshop, Tuesday evening, June 23, 7 pm, at the Ware Building in Mannington," said Freeholder Timberman. "This free program is a great opportunity to hone grantwriting skills and learn about recent revisions to all our arts grant programs." The Grantwriting Workshop will include discussions of all three arts grant programs, including the Special Project and General Operating Support programs. Funding for this program is provided by the New Jersey State council on the Arts, a division of the New Jersey Department of State and Partner Agency with the National Endowment for the Arts.

The Ware Building is located at 51 Cheney Rd. in Mannington and is ADA accessible. Although there is no fee to attend, preregistration is requested by contacting Irene Wanner (856-935-7510 x 8532; irene.wanner@salemcountynj.gov).